Jokowi's Numbers of Robot Accounts **Bigger than Those of Prabowo's**

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One of Indonesian pundits in social media, Ismail Fahmi, has said that the coalition of Jokowi in the presidential election has made use of robot accounts more often than that of his rival Prabowo in conducting their political campaign.

During a public discussion entitled "Panas di Medsos, Dingin di Kotak Suara [Hot in Social Media and Cold in Ballot Boxes]" held at Le Meridien Hotel Jakarta on Wednesday (14 November), he said that the robot accounts were used to spread up certain topics becoming popular issues nationwide very quickly.

According to him, however, it is very easy to tell whether or not some issues were spread up using such robots. They can be detected by the time and the flat level chart on the left. It would be otherwise when it is not flat. Another indication is based on the numbers of the exactly same twitters sent by different accounts.

He also noted that those produced by Jokowi's coalition took an hour to become a trending topic, while those of Prabowo's took four hours. He said that it only suggested that Jokowi's coalition has got more numbers of robot accounts.

One of the weaknesses of using robot accounts is that they would not give any response to any reaction. They would become effective only when the issue becomes a trending topic and their influencers continue spreading it up.

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